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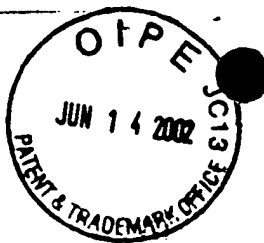
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Honorable Sir:

This communication is in response to a Requirement to Restrict mailed May 7, 2002.

Responsive thereto, applicants elect Group III, claims 18 through 23 drawn to a blood vessel comprising endothelial cells comprising an exogenously supplied polynucleotide encoding a gene that is capable of inducing endothelial remodeling in endothelial cells, without traverse.

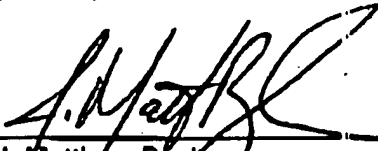


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Accordingly, substantive examination of claims 18 through 23 and the  
issuance of a first Office action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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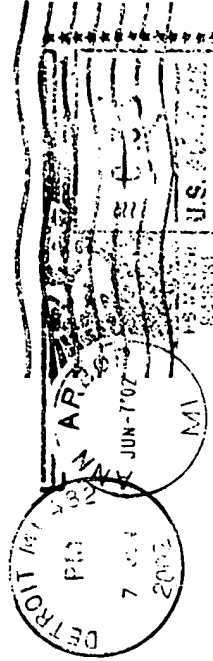
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